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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2734**  
Toshiya TAKAHASHI : Docket No. 99\_0994A  
Serial No. 09/387,555 : Group Art Unit 2135  
Filed September 1, 1999 : Examiner Paula W. Klimach

DATA PROCESSING METHOD,  
DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS,  
AND DATA STORAGE MEDIUM

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0375.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2005, having a three month shortened-  
statutory period for response set to expire April 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified  
application as follows.